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	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	MERRIL et al.
	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1648
	<i>Examiner Name</i>	D. Wortman
	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	2948-148
<i>Title of the Invention: ANTIBACTERIAL THERAPY WITH BACTERIOPHAGE GENOTYPICALLY MODIFIED TO DELAY INACTIVATION BY THE HOST DEFENSE SYSTEM:</i>		

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants request entry of the amendments below and reconsideration of the application.

In the Claims:

Kindly cancel claims 35 and 36 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims to the application:

--41. The method according to claim 31, wherein the bacteria is selected from the group consisting of *Mycobacteria*, *Staphylococci*, *Vibrio*, *Enterobacter*, *Enterococci*, *Escherichia*, *Haemophilus*, *Neisseria*, *Pseudomonas*, *Shigella*, *Serratia*, *Salmonella* and *Streptococci*, and the bacteriophage can effectively lyse the bacteria.--